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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES - MEXICO

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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES -
MEXICO, WHICH ARE TRANSMITTED PER REFTEL:

I. SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN THE FLOW OF UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS

-- ENCOURAGE OFFICIAL MEXICAN COOPERATION WITH U.S.
MEASURES, BOTH THOSE ALREADY PROPOSED AND OTHERS THAT
MAY BE DEVELOPED, TO DEAL WITH THIS PROBLEM BOTH IN THE
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SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM.

-- URGE MEXICAN COOPERATION WITH, OR AT A MINIMUM
ACCEPTANCE OF, U.S. LAW ENFORCEMENT MEASURES.

-- STIMULATE THE STUDY BOTH WITHIN THE USG AND THE GOM
OF THE POSSIBLE ADOPTION BY MEXICO OF SOCIAL-ECONOMIC
MEASURES DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE MOTIVATION FOR MIGRATION,
SUCH AS FAMILY PLANNING AND THE REDUCTION OF UNEMPLOYMENT;
NON-DISCRIMINATORY TRADE LIBERALIZATION; PROMOTION OF

RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND OF LABOR-INTENSIVE TECHNOLOGIES; AND INCOME REDISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS, CONCENTRATING ON THE NEEDIEST AREAS THAT ARE MAJOR SOURCES OF UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS.

-- SEEK MEXICAN COOPERATION IN EXPLORING WAYS IN WHICH IFI AND BILATERAL PROGRAMS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THIS OBJECTIVE.

II. GREATER COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. ON ECONOMIC ISSUES

-- URGE MEXICO TO FOLLOW ECONOMIC POLICIES THAT WILL STIMULATE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT AGGRAVATING INFLATION, OR VIOLATING IMF AGREEMENTS.

-- SEEK MEXICAN COOPERATION WITH THE USG AND U.S. FIRMS ON ENERGY ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN, INCLUDING THE NATURAL GAS PRICING ISSUE AND DEVELOPMENT OF PETROLEUM RESOURCES.

-- ENCOURAGE A MORE OPEN IMPORT REGIME; SUPPORT EFFORTS
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OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO SELL U.S. GOODS AND SERVICES IN THE MEXICAN MARKET; AND INSIST ON FAIR TREATMENT FOR U.S. INVESTMENT.

-- SEEK ACCESS TO THE MEXICAN ZONE BY U.S. SHRIMPERS.

-- ENCOURAGE MEXICAN ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN PREPARING FOR THE 1979 UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND DEVELOPING REALISTIC PROPOSALS FOR USING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN MEETING DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES.

-- KEEP WASHINGTON AGENCIES SENSITIVE TO THE IMPLICATIONS ON MEXICO OF U.S. GLOBAL POLICIES AS THEY ARE BEING DEVELOPED.

III. IMPROVED COOPERATION ON DRUG INTERDICTION

-- URGE IMPROVEMENT IN MEXICAN EFFORTS TO INTERDICT THE FLOW OF HEROIN.

-- SEEK ALL APPROPRIATE SUPPORT FOR MEXICAN ERADICATION AND INTERDICTION EFFORTS.

-- INITIATE DIALOGUE WITH THE GOM REGARDING LONG-TERM FUTURE OF THE PROGRAM.

IV. STIMULATION OF GREATER MEXICAN ACTION TO DEAL WITH
COMMON PROBLEMS INCLUDING THOSE NOT WITHIN THE PURVIEW
OF THE PRESENT INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION

-- URGE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AND EXAMINATION
OF THE DESIRABILITY OF MORE INSTITUTIONAL EFFORTS TO
RESOLVE COMMON SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES IN THE
BORDER AREA RELATED TO ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM, URBAN
GROWTH, TERRORISM, CORRUPTION AND OTHER SUBJECTS.

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-- IN THE SHORT TERM, STIMULATE GREATER MEXICAN INTEREST
IN DEALING WITH SPECIAL BORDER PROBLEMS SUCH AS CRIME,
SMUGGLING OF GOODS, INCLUDING ARMS, AND THE ILLICIT
TRAFFIC-FOR-PAYMENT OF ILLEGAL ALIENS ACROSS THE BORDER
BY EITHER MEXICAN OR US NATIONALS.

-- IN THE LONGER TERM, OBTAIN MEXICAN COOPERATION IN
ESTABLISHING A BINATIONAL WORKING GROUP TO CARRY OUT
AN INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS OF COMMON BORDER ISSUES AND
MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS AS
TO THE BEST MEANS OF ADDRESSING THEM.

V. IMPROVED CONSULAR SERVICES AND THE RESOLUTION OF
CONSULAR PROBLEMS

-- IMPROVE CONSULAR SERVICES, INCLUDING BETTER DEFINITION
OF LEVEL AND VARIETY OF SERVICES EXPECTED, INCREASED
RESOURCES NEEDED AND IMPROVED MANAGEMENT OF EXISTING
RESOURCES.

-- GAIN CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT IN THE TREATMENT BY GOM
OF PRIVATE AMERICANS TOURING, RESIDING, OWNING NON-
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, AND UNDERGOING ARREST AND IMPRISON-
MENT IN MEXICO.

VI. COOPERATION ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES

-- SEEK TO MAINTAIN MEXICO'S PRESENT MODERATE COURSE
IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE UN AND THE
OAS.

-- SUPPORT MEXICAN EFFORTS AND LEADERSHIP IN CURBING
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THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

-- ENCOURAGE A CONSTRUCTIVE MEXICAN ROLE IN THE ONGOING
DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING WORLD
IN FORA SUCH AS UNCTAD, CIEC, AND MTN.

---WORK WITH MEXICO IN AN EFFORT TO NEGOTIATE A LOS TREATY, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON GAINING MEXICAN COOPERATION ON ESTABLISHING A REGIME FOR EXPLOITATION OF THE DEEP SEABED.

-- OBTAIN CLARIFICATION OF MEXICAN POSTURES IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE IN ORDER TO DISTINGUISH AT AN EARLY DATE THOSE POSITIONS WHICH ENCOMPASS REAL INTERESTS. THEN PROMOTE EARLY NEGOTIATIONS, WHERE POSSIBLE, FOR AGREEMENTS WITH MEXICO WHICH CAN HAVE A HELPFUL CATALYTIC EFFECT ON THE POSITIONS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

-- CONTINUE CONSULTATIONS WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO AND FOREIGN SECRETARY ROEL ON THE BELIZE ISSUE.

-- ENCOURAGE MEXICAN COOPERATION IN PROMPTLY NEGOTIATING AN ILLICIT PAYMENTS TREATY.

VII. PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

-- SEEK MEXICAN ADHERENCE TO THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- SECURE GREATER RESPECT FOR THE INTEGRITY OF THE PERSON IN THE ACTIVITIES OF POLICE AND SECURITY AUTHORITIES.

-- URGE CONTINUED MEXICAN SUPPORT FOR MULTILATERAL APPROACHES TO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES.

-- SUPPORT FREE DEMOCRATIC TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES AND
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ENCOURAGE MEXICO'S CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN THIS AREA.

VIII. PROMOTION OF COMMON US-MEXICAN SECURITY INTERESTS

-- PROMOTE U.S. SECURITY INTERESTS, PARTICULARLY IN MAINTAINING A SECURE FLANK ALONG OUR VIRTUALLY UNGUARDED 2,000-MILE BORDER AND MAINTAIN MILITARY RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORTIVE OF THE BROAD RANGE OF U.S. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONVENTIONAL ARMS RESTRAINT POLICIES.

-- SEEK BROADER AND LESS CONDITIONAL MEXICAN SUPPORT FOR THE RIO TREATY AND OTHER REGIONAL PEACEKEEPING, AND COLLECTIVE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS.

-- WHILE RECOGNIZING MEXICO'S PUBLIC AND FORMAL AVERSION TO MILITARY COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS,

ENHANCE MEXICAN-U.S. MILITARY RELATIONSHIP AND REMAIN

RECEPTIVE TO REQUESTS FOR PURCHASE OF SELECTED U.S.
MATERIEL IN CONSONANCE WITH OUR OVERALL ARMS TRANSFER
POLICIES.

-- SEEK GOM APPROVAL OF NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIP PORT
VISITS ON A ROUTINE BASIS.

-- DEVELOP A US-MEXICAN AGREEMENT FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE
MISSIONS OVER MEXICAN LAND AREAS.

IX. ENHANCE BILATERAL COMMUNICATION AND LINKAGES

-- STRENGTHEN TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION AND INSTITUTIONAL
TIES THROUGH INFORMATION, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL
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EXCHANGE PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF U.S. BILATERAL AND
GLOBAL OBJECTIVES AND BROADER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

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